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## OVERLAND PARK MAN SENTENCED FOR MONEY LAUNDERING PROCEEDS OF WIFE'S \$2 MILLION EMBEZZLEMENT

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that an Overland Park, Kan., man was sentenced in federal court today for money laundering after his wife embezzled nearly \$2 million from her employer.

**Ronald E. Gordon**, 38, of Overland Park, Kan., was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Gary A. Fenner this morning to two years in federal prison without parole. The court also ordered **Ronald Gordon** to pay \$336,000 in restitution.

On Aug. 22, 2003, both he and his wife, **Tamie J. Gordon**, 42, pleaded guilty to money laundering. Her sentencing hearing is scheduled for Feb. 25, 2004. The **Gordons** were charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Feb. 26, 2003.

**Tamie Gordon** worked as a controller and office manager for Print Time, Inc., 8016 State Line Road, Leawood, Kan., from 1992 to Feb. 11, 2003.

Ronald Gordon admitted that he wrote a \$24,125 check to TAK Construction on Jan. 29, 2003, drawn on the joint personal account of he and his wife. Ronald Gordon knew or was willfully blind to the knowledge that these funds were derived from Tamie Gordon's embezzlement from her employer, Graves said. Tamie Gordon transferred the funds by wire from the account of Print Time to their joint bank account, Graves said, and Ronald Gordon then wrote a personal check as partial payment for a house being constructed in Johnson County, Kan.

**Tamie Gordon** admitted that she embezzled approximately \$2 million from Print Time, Inc., between January 1996 and Feb. 10, 2003. **Tamie Gordon** embezzled funds from Print Time by writing checks, drawn on the company's operating account, which were deposited into the **Gordons** joint accounts at Bank of America in Kansas City, Mo. **Tamie Gordon** also made

unauthorized wire transfers from the company's operating account to the co-defendants' joint checking and savings accounts at Bank of America.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Linda Parker Marshall. The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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